

**ACGME Program Requirements for Graduate Medical Education
in Complex General Surgical Oncology
Summary and Impact of Focused Requirement Revisions**

Requirement #: V.C.2.d), V.C.2.d).(1)

Requirement Revision (significant change only):

V.C.2.d) graduate performance, including performance of program graduates on the certification examination; ^(Core)

V.C.2.d).(1) At least 65 percent of a program's graduates from the preceding five years taking the American Board of Surgery Complex General Surgical Oncology examination for the first time must have passed each of the qualifying and certifying examinations. ^(Outcome)

1. Describe the Review Committee's rationale for this revision: **The subspecialty of complex general surgical oncology does not currently have a set first-time board pass rate as an outcome metric. The examinations for this subspecialty are administered by the American Board of Surgery (ABS) using the same development process and psychometric evaluation as for the general surgery and other subspecialty examinations. While the ACGME has no historic board pass rate, the Committee anticipates that the results of this subspecialty's first-time board pass rate will be similar to those of the other specialties and subspecialties taking the ABS examinations.**
2. How will the proposed requirement or revision improve resident/fellow education, patient safety, and/or patient care quality? **The Committee considers board certification a proxy for quality of education. Therefore, the assessment of first time-board pass rate serves as a valuable metric in assessing the effectiveness of the educational program.**
3. How will the proposed requirement or revision impact continuity of patient care? **N/A**
4. Will the proposed requirement or revision necessitate additional institutional resources (e.g., facilities, organization of other services, addition of faculty members, financial support; volume and variety of patients), if so, how? **The proposed change may result in programs with first-time board pass rates below 65 percent, enhancing educational and faculty resources to better ensure fellow preparation.**
5. How will the proposed revision impact other accredited programs? **N/A**